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DX News

KL7RRC Kiska Island NA-070, Alaska -update

Two pallets weighing 983 pounds and containing much of the equipment required for our upcoming KL7RRC operation set for July, was opened and inventoried today as we continue preparation for the much anticipated IOTA DXpedition to Kiska (NA-070) and Adak Islands (NA-029) located in Alaska's remote Aleutian Islands. These IOTA activations will be conducted by members of the Russian Robinson Club and we will be using the Club callsign KL7RRC from both IOTA Island operations.

The two pallets were actually sent to Alaska last year in advance of the originally planned 2020 trip which was unfortunately cancelled due to Covid-19.

This KL7RRC equipment has been stored for over a year by KL7RRC team member Tim NL8F. Tim is a veteran DXpeditioner who lives in Dutch Harbor on Amaknak Island, Unalaska, Alaska. History buffs will also know that Dutch Harbor was the location of the Battle of Dutch Harbor in June 1942, and was one of the few sites in the United States to be subjected to aerial bombardment by a foreign power during World War II.



Video A25RU / C92RU

Throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, the Russian DXpedition Team managed to stage 3 expeditions – <u>7Q7RU</u>, <u>A25RU</u> & <u>C92RU</u>. Here's a video of the latter two DXpeditions. <u>https://www.dx-world.net/video-a25ru-c92ru/</u>

WSJ article on DXing

For the past few days we've been sent a link by readers to a Wall Street Journal article written by John McCormick titled "One Group's Post-Pandemic Travel Plan: Get as Far Away as Possible". The article is behind a pay-wall, however over on eHam it was posted in full, and now we duly do too, with full credit to WSJ.



Dom 3Z9DX

Of the many post-pandemic travel plans being hatched around the world, few are as extreme as what ham-radio operator Dom Grzyb has in mind.

The semi-retired Polish businessman looks to spend tens of thousands of dollars this year to lead a group of eight to Bouvet Island in the southern Atlantic, an uninhabited locale largely covered in glacial ice. The odds aren't favorable.

High winds and massive waves batter ships entering the region. Among travelers who manage to catch sight of Bouvet Island, which belongs to Norway, some never make shore. Slivers of beach give way to steep rock and ice formations that reach 100 feet and higher.

"It's the most remote island in the world," said Mr. Grzyb, 47 years old. "It's also one of the most dangerous places in the world."

Bouvet Island also ranks as the second most-wanted place in the world to contact among ham-radio enthousiasts. These destinations lure the most adventurous of the estimated three million operators worldwide to set up temporary transmitting stations. https://www.dx-world.net/wsj-article-on-dxing/

VK6SJ/4 Torres Strait Group OC-138 -update by Steve

I completed my week on Coconut and Thursday Islands between the 3rd and 9th May. I did use a few different versions of callsign during the operation for one reason or another (VK6SJ/VK4 and VK4/VK6SJ as well as just VK6SJ). What will be going in the logs will be VK6SJ/4 so please amend your log entry accordingly. I made just over 400 contacts and I am in the process of getting the logs validated with IOTA. Any contacts made with my callsign between the 3rd and 9th May will be from OC-138. Grid locations for this trip were QH19mw on Coconut Island and QH19ck for Thursday Island.

JD1BQA Ogasawara

Check the video of the operation that took place on April 23-30, 2021. https://www.dx-world.net/jd1bga-ogasawara/

DX-World sponsors Sasstown United -update

While DX news is thin on the ground at the moment, regular readers will be aware DX-World sponsors Sasstown United FC in southern Liberia (info on why below). Today we got word the team has successfully applied to join the LFA Third Division league which consists of 10 teams. This coming weekend sees all teams take part in the Opening Ceremony followed by Sasstown's first ever official league game against Barclayville City.

This week on air

This can change daily, please visit https://www.dx-world.net/ for updates. 3D2, FIJI Joanna, 3D2ZK has recently been active on 15 & 20m FT8. She is very new to ham radio and kindly asks that you are patient when working her. She plans to be active as 3D2/C, 3D2/R and several rare IOTAs starting from May for 3-4 months. 5U, NIGER Adrien, F4IHM is once again active as 5UAIHM until June 15. Operation during his spare time on 40 and 20 meter CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. 6O, SOMALIA Ali, EP3CQ is once again active as 6O1OO until mid-July. Operation on HF using mostly FT8. See QRZ.com.

A3, TONGA Masa, JA0RQV is once again operating as A35JP from Tongatapu until October. QRV from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via Club Log OQRS and LoTW.

FR, REUNION Phil F5TRO and Ann F5BSB are moving to Reunion in May 2021 and will be operating as FR8UA and FR8TZ. Operation from 80 to 2 meter using CW, SSB and digi. OSL via LoTW.

HC, ECUADOR Rick, NE8Z is active as HC1MD/2 from the Santa Elena province until May 15. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT4-8. QSL via K8LJG and LoTW. **JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA** Take JG8NQJ is active again as JG8NQJ/JD1 until around half May. JD/M is #23 most wanted entity listed on Club Log.

JW, **SVALBARD** Erling, LB2PG is QRV as JW/call from Bear Island until June 1. Activity during his spare time from 80 to 20 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.

KH9, WAKE ISL Tom, NL7RR is back on Wake island until around mid-May. Operation during his spare time (he works as an contractor on the island) on 40 and 20 meter using SSB. QSL direct via AL7JX or NL7WK.

T5, SOMALIA Alex, IT9HRK is now based in Mogadishu for the next couple of months. His field of work is crisis management. Alex informs that he prefers using SSB, but will try CW, RTTY & PSK.

TY, BENIN Johannes, ZS6JSI is active mobile from Parakou as ZS6JSI/TY. Operation until June on 80, 40 and 20 meter using SSB and FT8 during his spare time. QSL via home call, LoTW.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISLAND Steve, VK6SJ will be operating as VK9XX from May 25 until June 15. Operation during his evenings and mornings with a focus on 80, 40 and 30 meter using mainly FT8. QSL via EB7DX.

VP8, FALKLAND ISLANDS Matthew, M0ZMS is seconded to the RAF station at Mount Pleasant until late August. Operation as VP8ZMS, hopefully using the Royal Air Force Amateur Radio Society's club station shack. QRV on HF using digital modes, CW with some SSB. QSL via home call and LoTW, logsearch on Club Log. https://twitter.com/vp8zms

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS Scott, WU2X is active as ZF2UX from Cayman Brac (operating from ZF9CW QTH), so far on 15 meter SSB. QSL via LoTW.

Coming up soon

3A, MONACO Ennio, IW1RBI informs that he plans to return to Monaco either late May or mid-June depending on Covid situation, and will QRV as 3A/IW1RBI during one weekend. Activity on 30-6m, CW, SSB & FT8. QSL via home call and LoTW.

A3, TONGA Masa, JAORQV will be back on Tongatapu as A35JP from late May through October. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using FT8. He will try to be active also from Niuatoputapu (OC-191), Niuafo'ou (OC-123), Vava'u (OC-064) and/or Ha'apai (OC- 169). QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS or home call.

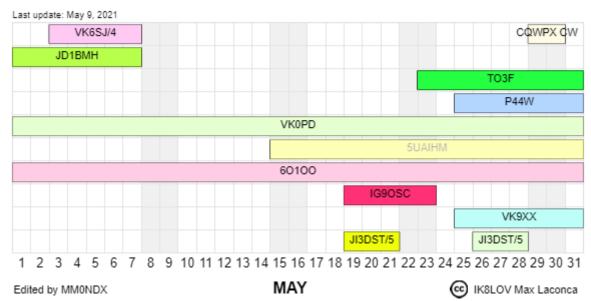
FM, MARTINIQUE Marius, ON4RU will be active as FM/OQ3R between May 23 and June 5. An entry in the CQWPX CW contest is included as TO3F. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW only. QSL via home call.

P4, ARUBA John, W2GD will once again be active as P40W from May 25 until June 1. Operation during his spare time on HF with focus on 30, 17, 12 and 160 meter using mostly CW. During the CQWW WPX CW Contest he will sign as P44W. QSL via N2MM or LoTW.

VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL Steve, VK6SJ informs: My trip to Christmas Island is now scheduled for 25th May to 15th June. I will be taking a Yaesu FT-857D and a simple Sotabeams antennas plus an ATAS mobile vertical. I will also be barefoot. This will also be mostly outside working hours and focused on the night time bands and mainly FT8. My callsign on Christmas Island will be VK9XX.

DXCC timeline





IOTA

This week on air

EUROPE

EU-123 Great Cumbrae Isl Look for Gordon MM0GOR as MM1E during the RSGB IOTA contest July 24-25. Entry as SOAB LP for 12 hours operation. QSL via Club Log OQRS. **EU-137 Ven Isl** Starting mid-May, Anders OZ3ACB will be active as SM7/call on a small DXpedition. 'On the island i work 100% land based, but while working maritme you might see me as OZ3ACB/MM, it's only a 20min ride in my rather fast boat across the Sound so not much time for /MM QSOs'. QSL via LoTW preferred.

Coming up soon

AFRICA

AF-019 Linosa Isl The Oriental Sicily Contest Team will be QRV as IG9OSC between May 19 and May 23. Operation on HF. QSL via OQRS Club Log and LoTW.

ASIA

AS-200 Shodo Isl Once again, Take JI3DST and Masa JR8YLY will be operating from the island on May 19-21 and again on May 26-28. Operation as calls/5 from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. Check QRZ.com for QSL information.

EUROPE

EU-068 Sein Isl A large team will be operating as TM6KJS between May 27 and June 6. Operation from 80 meter to 23cm. 6 stations will be on air. QSL via bureau or direct (to be defined later). https://tm6kjs.f6kjs.fr/en/home/

NORTH AMERICA

NA-040 St Lawrence Isl Henry has been active more than usual recently on both FT8 and SSB. This weekend coming (May 15-16) he mentions emphasis on SSB.

QSL preview



On the scene

3D2ZK Fiji (credits Rebel DX Group)

3D2ZK using 4 stations on FT8 & FT4 at the same time during full lockdown at home in Fiji. No way to go out, shopping just food or pharmacy. No travelling allowed, no sailing

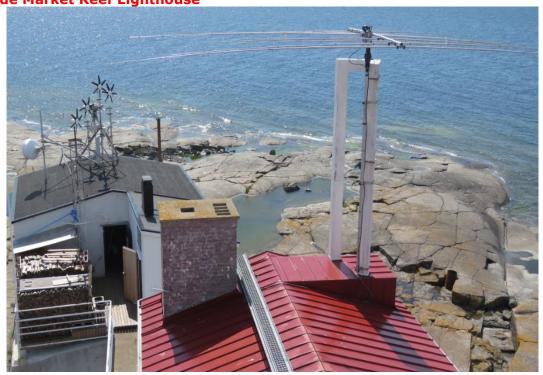
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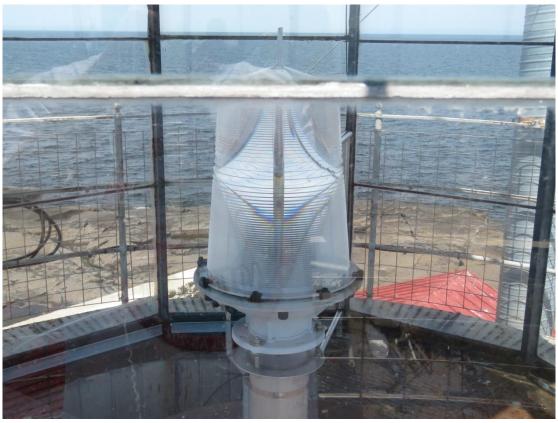


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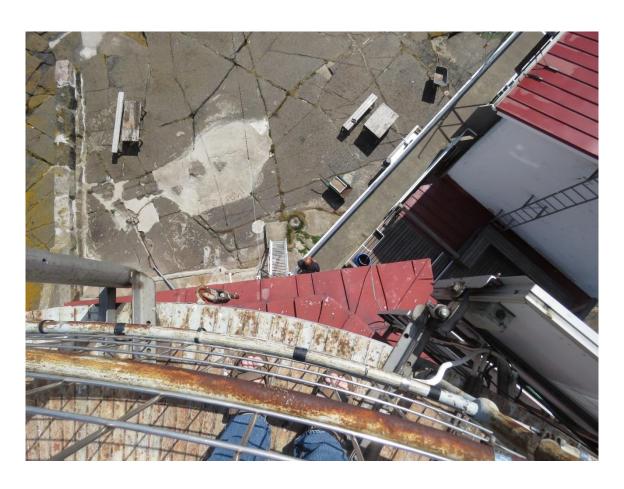














ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE REMINDERS

3A, MONACO Ennio, IW1RBI will be active again between late May and mid-June depending on the Covid situation. Operation as 3A/IW1RBI during one weekend. Activity from 30 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

3X, GUINEA

9L, SIERRA LEONE

Jean-Philippe J28PJ will be operating from these location during September 2021. A side trip to AS-037 and AF-051 is possible. More to follow.

- **5H, TANZANIA** Sergey, UT9UU will be operating as 5H3UU from Dar Es Salaam during early August. QSL via home call, LoTW.
- **5H, TANZANIA** Roman, RA/3W3RR (ex-9Q9RR) has announced plans to be active from Zanzibar island, AF-032. Currently no set dates as to when 5H1RR activity may happen due to COVID-19. More info to follow in due course..
- **5T, MAURITANIA** Tom, DL7BO has plans to be active as 5T7OO soon and staying there for a long period. More info to follow. QSL via DJ6TF.
- **8Q, MALDIVES** Nobby, G0VJG will be active as 8Q7CQ from the Reethi Faru resort between September 29 and October 13. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and digi. QSL via M0OXO.
- A3, TONGA Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as A35GC sometime in 2022. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logs uploaded during the DXpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.
- **C5, THE GAMBIA** Luc F5RAV informs that the C5C license has been renewed and it's hoped that he, Gerard F5NVF and Abdel M0NPT will visit The Gambia in October / November depending on Covid travel situation. QRV on CW, SSB, Digi & Sat. QSL via F5RAV. Update to follow...
- **CEOY, EASTER ISLAND** The Polish DXpedition Team with Jan SP3CYY, Jurek SP3GEM, Wlodek SP6EQZ, Janusz SP6IXF, Roman SP9FOW and Piotr SP9RCL will be active sometime during 2021 as XR0YSP. Plans are to be QRV with 3 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8.
- CYO, SABLE ISL Permission for a DXpedition has been authorized with the team: WA2DAN, N2IEN, K5DHY, K5YY, K4UEE, WW2DX, AA4NC, N8AA, N2TU. The CYOC Sable Island DXpedition team will be active sometime 2021-2022 depending Covid. http://cy0dxpedition.net/index.html
- **E6, NIUE** Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as E6AM during October-November 2022. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logs uploaded during the DXpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau. **FM, MARTINIQUE** Miguel, EA1BP will be active as FM/call and as TO7O during the CQWW SSB contest. Operation from October 27 until November 5. QSL via home call and LoTW.
- **FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON** Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19, the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed until August 2022 or 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. http://www.to5t.com/ **FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON** Eric, KV1J will once again be active as FP/call between September 21 and October 5. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW. http://www.kv1j.com/fp/July20.html
- FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Tom, KH0/KC0W informs: due to Covid this trip will be postponed. As soon the situation changes Tom will let us know when he departs Saipan. HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL Team HD8M (WB2REM, VO1IDX, KH6M and KE2D) will be operating from Santa Cruz between March 2 and March 11, 2022. http://www.hd8m.com/
- **HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL** A DXfriends DXpedition will take place to San Cristobal. QSL via EA5RM. More to follow.

- **J8, GRENADINES** Brian, GW4DVB will be operating as J88PI between July 23 and August 1. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. https://www.g4dvb.co.uk/dxpedition-2017
- **JD1, OGASAWARA** Koji, JE3GRQ has not yet concrete plans but will be operating as JD1BQI sometime in 2021. This will be a 6 meter EME operation. More to follow.
- JD1, OGASAWARA Makoto, JI5RPT will once again be active as JD1BLY during June 10-12. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call.
- JW, SVALBARD Max, ON5UR and team will be active as JW5E between April 18 and April 29, 2022. More to follow soon. QSL via MOURX.
- KH4, MIDWAY ISL Ron, KH6DV announces a trip to Midway during September 2021 for about 2 weeks (if the COVID 19 is under control). Midway Atoll is #14 on the Clublog most wanted list and has not been active for some time. The aircraft used for the logistics flights has been downsized and visitors are no longer allowed to fly to the island. More to follow.
- KH8, SWAINS ISL Due to the Covid-19 pandemic it is still impossible to travel to Swains Island. This means that we have to postpone our DXpedition until Spring 2021 at the earliest. Alex Jennings (owner of island) and the team will start planning again as soon as we are allowed to travel to American Samoa without restrictions (such as 14 days in quarantine).
- **OJO, MARKET REEF** Joseph, AD7D will be operating as OJ0D during the summer 2021. Dates not yet confirmed. More to follow.
- **P2, PAPUA NEW GUINEA** A DXpedition will take place in honor of the 175th anniversary of the Nikolay Miklouho Maclay. More to follow. QSL via RM0L.
- **PJ5**, **SINT EUSTATIUS** John, W5JON will be active as PJ5/call between October 25 and November 1. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL direct or LoTW.
- **PYOF, FERNANDO DE NORONHA** We have no firm dates on this activity, but Rodrigo PY2KC mentions he will try to be active from Fernando da Nornoha sometime in 2022 as PY0FFF. Activity depends on Covid situation.
- **PYOF, FERNANDO DE NORONHA** Fabio PY2RMZ and Marcio PU4MDO with maybe 2 others will be sometime during 2021. Operation on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter. QSL via EA7FTR.
- **PZ, SURINAME** Markus, DJ4EL informs DX-World that, outside his PZ5G activity from SA-092, he will be active from Houttuyn, Suriname as PZ5GE during October 9-23. QRV on 40-10m SSB. QSL via LoTW, H/c.
- **TG, GUATEMALA** Dwight, VE7BV will be active as TG9BBV from Sacatepéquez during November. Operation on HF. QSL via home call, LoTW.
- TT, CHAD The Italian DXpedition Team will be active as TT8RR (CW, SSB and RTTY) and as TT8XX (FT8) sometime during 2021 from Ndjamena. Nine operators (I1FQH, I1HJT, I2PJA, I2YSB, IK2CIO, IK2CKR, IK2DIA, IK2HKT and IK2RZP) will be active with four stations on all bands. QSL via I2YSB (direct only). http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/
- **V4, ST KITTS** John, W5JON will once again be active as V47JA from Calypso Bay between October 16 and November 12. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. OSL via LoTW or via home call direct.
- **VK9W, WILLIS ISLAND** The 2016/2019 CY9C team, and the upcoming Sable Island DXpedition CY0C team, is pleased to announce a new DXpedition. After the Sable CY0C DXpedition, they will go to Willis Island as VK9W, dates TBA. More to follow.
- **VQ9, DIEGO GARCIA** Dates are not confirmed, nor length of activity, but Bob DU7ET could again be active from Diego Garcia as VQ9ET later this year. Update to follow... **XT, BURKINA FASO** Max, DK1MAX will once again be active as XT2MAX sometime during 2021. QSL via EA5GL. More to follow.
- **YN, NICARAGUA** Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO
- **Z6, KOSOVO** A Belgian team will be active sometime in 2021 from Kosovo. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via Club Log, OQRS.

Announced IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

OCEANIA

OC-166 Sebuku Isl Ravie, YC7RV informs that the YB1JYL/7 team will be operating on June 10-11. Activity on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via EA5GL.

EUROPE

EU-042 Hooge Isl Michael, DG5LAC will be operating as call/P between July 23 and July 27. An entry in the IOTA contest is included. QRV mainly using FT4/8 before and after the contest. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

EU-092 Horse Isl During July 24-26, look for team MS0INT to be active from Horse island (Summer Isles) EU-092. Participation in the IOTA contest as GM5DX. QRV on various bands / modes before and after the contest. Operators: MM0NDX & MM0OKG – others likely to join.

THE REMINDERS

AFRICA

AF-032 Zanzibar Gab, H3JB will be operating as 5H1IP from September 22 until October 3. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. An entry in the CQWW RTTY contest is included. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS.

AF-045 Gore Isl A team with 6W1KI, 6W1PZ, 6W1QL, 6W7JX and others will be operating as 6V1A when the situation is possible. Activity on various bands with 2 stations using CW and SSB. QSL via LoTW.

<u>ASIA</u>

AS-025 Iturup Isl The Russian Robinson Team with RZ3EC, R6MG, M0MSV, RX3F, RN3BL and R6LGT will be active as RI0FF from July 28 until August 3. Full information on their website.

AS-080 Pukkyognyolbi Isl Kim, DS3BBC and friends will be operating as D70EXPO during July 22-25. Activity from 80 to 6 meter. QSL via DS3BBC, LoTW or Club Log. **AS-140 Manpura Isl** Manju, S2IAM and Fazlay S2IRC will be active as S2IDX between December 16 and December 22. "Manpura island is some 300km away from the capital and is situated in the south coastal belt of Bangladesh. There is some limited settlement there, and no electricity. We have selected the remote southern tips of the island for our camp. Though the lack of electricity is a challenge for us but at the same time that is a blessing – less interference." https://s21dx.org/

AS-149 Moneron Isl Look for RIOFM between July 15 and July 31. Operation on HF with an entry in the RSGB IOTA contest. QSL via RW6HS.

EUROPE

EU-063 Prins Karls Forland A team with LB1QI, LB2HG, LB5GI, LA7GIA, LA7QIA and LA8OM will be active as JW0W between July 21 and July 26. They will focus on 40, 30 and 20 meter depending propagation. QSL via M00XO OQRS and LoTW.

EU-107 Petite Isl Depending Covid, F4FET and F5RAB will be QRV as TM7P between July 23-27. Operation from 80 to 2 meter using CW, SSB and digi. An entry in the IOTA contest is included. QSL via F4FET.

EU-111 Monach Isles A team with G0VJG, G2NF, G4TSH, GM0WED, G4FAL and G0FDZ will be active as MM8C during the IOTA 2021 contest period from Ceann Ear. Outside the contest they will be active as GM3RCV. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

EU-178 Kihnu Isl Sergei, ES1LL will be active as call/8 on May 29-30, he joins Ed ES2TT/8. Operation on HF using SSB and perhaps digi.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-037 Shemya Isl Fred, KB4DMQ announces he will soon be active as KL7FBI from Shemya Island, NA-037. Dates not given. QRV on HF bands. QSL via AA0NN. Full info below from QRZ.com

NA-039 Adak Isl Rob N7QT, Yuri N3QQ, Hal W8HC and Tim NL8F will be active as KL7RRC from Adak Island during July 14-16. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8.

NA-070 Kiska Isl Rob N7QT, Yuri N3QQ, Hal W8HC and Tim NL8F will be active as KL7RRC from Kiska Island during July 7-12. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via N7RO.

https://www.na-234.com/

NA-041 Shelter Isl Phil, KC3CIB will be operating as call/KL7 during his spare time starting June. When time permits, he will be active on HF using mainly digital modes. OSL via home call, direct.

NA-048 Bimini Isl A team consisting AC6ZM, N4RRR, K4KSW, KK4PHD, KN4CV, KN4KJC, N4QBS, NN2T & WA8Y plan activity from the Bimini Islands, NA-048 as C6AHA during July 14-21, 2021. Up to 5 stations in use. Antennas: Hy-Gain TH3-MK4, Cushcraft MA5B, Delta-loops for 40 & 80m, Buddipoles and verticals. Modes: FT8, SSB & CW. Grid square: FL05.

NA-067 Harkers Isl A team with W4MY, N4MIO, W8WZ, W4MPS, KG4AKV and W4MGT will be operating during the IOTA contest (July 24-25) as W4MY.

NA-168 Grand Isle Allan, KV4T and Bridget KS4YT will again be active from Grand Isle NA-068 during the IOTA contest (July 24-25). Plan is for both stations signing with their home calls. QSL 100% via LoTW & eQSL. Full colour paper QSL available upon request with SASE via home address.

OCEANIA

OC-037 New Zealand Sub Antarctic Islands (Campbell Island) The Perseverance DX Group (PDXG) has some unfinished business. Several members participated on the 2012 ZL9 activation that was cut short by weather. After their successful VP8PJ South Orkney Islands 2020 DXpedition, PDXG is pleased to announce their intention to activate the New Zealand Sub-Antarctic Islands (ZL9), Campbell Island. Club Log #24 most wanted, in the 2021-2022 time-frame.

The plan includes 160-10m operation, CW/SSB/RTTY/FT8, with emphasis on 160, 80, 60, 40 and propagation dependent, 12 and 10 meters.

The landing permit process is pending and discussions with transportation partners have begun. However, the Covid-19 lockdown has caused significant delays and uncertainty.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-092 Papegaaien Isl Markus, DJ4EL informs DX-World that he has new dates for his IOTA DXpedition to Papegaaien Island as PZ5G. He hopes to be ORV from this rare IOTA during October 15-18. Activity on 80-10m using CW and SSB.

- -PZ5G grid GJ15kv (10-80 meter CW and SSB)
- -PZ5GE grid GJ25kr (10-40 meter using SSB only) More on QRZ.com

Antarctica base stations

Casey station Paul, VK2PAD is currently stationed at Casey Station, Antarctica where he works as an instrument electrician and trades supervisor. He mentions he runs an IC-7300 and/or IC-705 with a 300W linear amplifier. Antennas are 3 x 10m telescoping fiberglass poles. Operation until November.

King Se-Jong Base As part of the next scientific team, look for Lee, DS4NMJ to again be active from the King Se-Jong Korean Antarctic Base on King George Island, South

Shetlands as DT8A in 2021. QRV on FT8, CW & SSB, 100w. QSL via DS5TOS. Dates to be confirmed.

Syowa Station Takumi, JG3PLH is the operator who will be stationed at Showa Research Base, Queen Maud Land, AN-015 <u>lasting through to January 2022</u>. QRV as 8J1RL on HF, CW, Digital Modes. QSL via the bureau to 8J1RL, or direct to JG2MLI. **Vostok Station** Alexey, RX6A is active <u>until May 30</u> as RI0IANT Operation from 40 to 15 meter using CW and FT8. Operation until end May 2021. QSL via home call.

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

- **CN, MOROCCO** Celebrating the 65th anniversary of the creation of the Forces Armees Royales (the Royal Moroccan Armed Forces), special callsign **CN65FAR** will be active on 10-16 May. QSL via RW6HS. (TNX 425DX)
- **DL, GERMANY** The special event station **DA30BRR** (special DOK 30BRR) marks the 30th anniversary of the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve Rhoen <u>until end September</u>. All QSOs will be confirmed automagically with a bureau card and via LoTW. (TNX DXNL) **F, FRANCE** The special event station **TM25TL** honours the memory of Toussaint Louverture. The Haitian general helped to abolish slavery and secure Haiti's independence. QRV <u>until June 10</u> on 80-15m (SSB, FT8). For more information see qrz.com. QSL via F5KMY. (TNX DXNL)
- **F, FRANCE TM100CLG** is the special callsign for the Radio Club de l'agglomera-tion Dunkerquoise (F8KGS) to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the town of Cappelle-la-Grande on 15-29 May. QSL via F8KGS. (TNX 425DX)
- **G, ENGLAND** Andy/G0SFJ operates as **GB5SAR** (Search and Rescue) <u>until May 30</u>, supporting the SOS Radio Week 2021. QRV on HF, mostly on FT8. QSL via eQSL. (TNX DXNL)
- **G, ENGLAND** The Bedford & District Amateur Radio Club will be active as **GB6BMA** (Bromham Mill) <u>until May 16</u>. (TNX DXNL)
- **GI, NORTHERN IRELAND** The North West Group ARC (MN0NWG) will run special event station **GB0AEL** on 15-23 May to commemorate Amelia Earhart's transatlantic crossing in 1932. QSL via eQSL. On 20-21 May 1932, Earhart became the first woman and the only person since Charles Lindbergh to fly nonstop and alone across the Atlantic, leaving Harbor Grace, Newfoundland, Canada, and landing 15 hours later near Londonderry, Northern Ireland. (TNX 425DX)
- JA, JAPAN Promoting and celebrating the Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games, special stations 8N1OLP, 8N2OLP, 8N3OLP, 8N4OLP, 8N5OLP, 8N6OLP, 8N7OLP, 8N8OLP, 8N9OLP and 8N0OLP will be active between 1 May and 5 September from various locations across the country (see qrz.com for each station's details). Also active, but especially looking for QSOs with JA stations, will be ten stations 8J#OLYMPIC. The logs will be uploaded to Club Log, and all QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Direct cards should be sent to JARL's HQ (Japan Amateur Radio League, Otsuka HT biru 6-kai, 3-43-1 Minami Otsuka, Toshima-ku, Tokyo, 170-8073, Japan). Information about the Tokyo 2020 JARL Commemorative Award and Commemorative QSO Party can be found respectively at
- https://www.jarl.org/English/4 Library/A-4-2 Awards/T2020-e.htm (TNX 425DX)

 LZ, BULGARIA Bulgarian members of the High Speed Club (HSC) are active throughout the year as LZ70HSC, supported by the Student Radio Club at the Technical University of Sofia. QSL via LZ2JE. (TNX DXNL)
- **OE, AUSTRIA** Helmut/OE1TKW operates as **OE60VHSC** <u>until June 7</u>, marking the 60th anniversary of the Very High Speed Club. QSL via bureau. (TNX DXNL)
- **PA, THE NETHERLANDS** Special callsign **PD21EUROSONG** will be active on 8-22 May to cele- brate the 65th edition of the Eurovision Song Contest to be held in Rotterdam. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau, as well as via LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Look for PA827HGV between June 5-6. This to mark the participation of the former minesweeper HNLMS Hoogeveen at the Museum Ship Weekend. Operation on HF using CW and SSB.

VE, CANADA Members of the Radio Amateur du Quebec Inc. mark their club's 70th anniversary with the callsign **VC2AQC** <u>until July 15</u>. (TNX DXNL)

VK, AUSTRALIA VI50SG celebrates the 50th anniversary of the St. George Amateur Raio Society until the end of 2021. QSL via VK2LE (d/B), eQSL. (TNX DXNL)

YV, VENEZUELA <u>During 2021</u>, **YW200BC** commemorates the Battle of Carabobo 200 years ago, which paved the way for Venezuela's independence. QRV on 80-10m on CW, SSB, and digital modes. QSL via YV4KW. (TNX DXNL)

THE REMINDERS

25th GDXF Anniversary Award <u>until end December</u>

Free PDF award in A4-size for self-printing in three classes: Basic – Classic – Trophy. Each class contains a design with four different images of successful DXpeditions.

Basic: 100 pointsClassic: 500 pointsTrophy: 1,000 points

Each QSO on 160 to 6m (including 60m) in each main operating mode CW, Phone or Digital with a GDXF member counts as 10 points and the QSOs with the special

stations **DL25GDXF** (active only between May 1st and July 31st 2021)

and **DF0GDX** count 20 each points. At least one QSO with DL25GDXF or DF0GDX is mandatory!

Los Libertadores University Foundation 2021 (TNX HK5NLJ)

5J39FUL, Libertadores University Foundation.

5K48LRB, Bogota Radioamateurs League.

5J85FJR, Jorge Reynolds Foundation.

DATE AND DURATION: From 00:01 UTC on Tuesday, June 1st, 2021 to 23:59 UTC on Tuesday, June 8th, 2021.

BANDS: 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, 30, 40 & 80 meters / 28, 24, 21, 18, 14, 10, 7 & 3.5 MHz

MODES: SSB, CW, DIGITAL (FT8, FT4, RTTY)

QUESTIONS and/or CONCERNS: hk3ecoalfa@gmail.com More info at: hk3ecoalfa@gmail.com

Certificate requests must be sent to hk3lrb@gmail.com before July 31, 2021.

North American QSO Parties to recognize young contesters entries (TNX KY7M)

To encourage young radiosport participants, *National Contest Journal (NCJ)* will recognize their entries in the North American QSO Party (NAQP), starting with the August 2021 NAQP CW and NAQP SSB events. Following the lead of Youth on the Air (YOTA) in International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 (IARU), operators 25 years old and younger will be highlighted in the results. The NAQP log upload app and 3830scores.com will include a "Youth (25 and under)" check box. Initially, the young operator designation will apply only to single-operator entries. This is not a separate category. Participants of any age will compete for awards in the regular single-operator category. 3830 Scores will display the young operator scores as an overlay to the single-operator group. NAQP line scores will note the young operator scores and a separate table of these scores will be included in the results and referenced in the *NCJ* "NextGen Contesters" column by Neil Rapp, WB9VPG.

Russian District Award

http://rdaward.org/indexeng.htm

Our diploma program has been around for 20 years, and its main goal is to get cfm for QSO with all districts of Russia.

We have developed an automatic RDA district cfm specifically for fulfilling the requirements of the diploma program:

https://mydx.eu

This service makes the participation as easy as possible. You do not need to create an application and send it to the Diploma Manager – all you need to do is to send in your payment and your post address. You can get either one or several diplomas – it is up to you. For your convenience we have created special version of RDA dx-cluster where you can easily see those RDA-s that you don't have confirmed yet. You also have a possibility to have a sound notification when your unconfirmed RDA is spotted. Go and check it out: https://mydx.eu/?tab=spots

- **9A, CROATIA** Look for **9A10FF** for the Croatian Flora Fauna ARC to use <u>during 2021</u> to celebrate its 10th anniversary. QSL via LoTW or via 9A2MF direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)
- **9A, CROATIA** The Radio Klub Grada Zaboka (9A0Z) has been active as **9A2CHRIS** since early April to honour the memory of Kresimir "Chris" Kovarik, 9A5K (8 May 1974 27 February 2019). Activity will continue <u>until the end of the year</u>. QSL via LoTW and eQSL; a special QSL card will be downloadable on http://www.9a0z.com/. Past President of the Croatian Amateur Radio Association (HRS) and Vice Chairman of the IARU Region 1 HF Committee, Chris was the author of DXlog.net and a competitor in WRTC 2006, 2014 and 2018. In 2019 he was inducted into the CQ Contest Hall of Fame. (TNX 425DX)
- **9A, CROATIA 9A64AA** is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA is using <u>until the end of the year</u> to mark his 64th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call.
- **CE, CHILE** Members of the Radio Club Provincial Elqui and the Elqui DX Group operate as **CB2E** between May 1 and 16 during a "Mes del Mar" a month of the sea. QSL via CA2FCK. (TNX DXNL)
- **CT, PORTUGAL** Valdemar, CT7AQD will be active as **CQ750RSI** throughout 2021 to commemorate the 750th anniversary of the birth of Elizabeth of Aragon (1271-1336), queen consort of Portugal and patron saint of the city of Coimbra. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)
- **DL, GERMANY** Special callsign **DP70HSC** will be in use <u>throughout 2021</u> to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Radio Telegraphy High Speed Club (http://www.highspeedclub.org/). QSL via bureau and LoTW. (TNX 425DX)
- **DL, GERMANY** DARC's local branch D13 (Maerkisches Viertel) will operate special call **DL73TXL** <u>until end June 2021</u> to say goodbye to Berlin-Tegel Airport (IATA code TXL), the main international airport of Berlin, which is expected to close permanently in early November. Along with Gatow and Tempelhof, it played a pivotal role during the Berlin Airlift (1948-1949), organized by the Western Allies to carry supplies to the people of West Berlin. (TNX 425DX)
- **DL**, **GERMANY** Look for **DR100JL** and **DQ100JL** <u>until end May</u>. This to mark 100 years of Junkers aviation together with **DA0FFR**, **DB0FRR**, **DF0FFR** and **DK0FFR**. http://www.100julu.de/
- **DL, GERMANY DL21EURO** (special DOK 21EURO), operated by members of the DARC Special Events team, marks two football events to take place across Europe during 2021, the European Championship and the European Championship for players under 21 years old. QRV <u>until July 11</u>. QSL via bureau and DK5ON (d), eQSL, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)
- **DL, GERMANY** Look for **DR165TESLA** by members of DARC OV Mainz <u>during 2021</u>. This to celebrate the 165th birthday of Nikola Tesla. QRV on all bans using all modes. QSL via DK8ZZ, Club Log OQRS, LoTW. Your card is not needed.
- **DL, GERMANY** The Radio High Speed Telegraphy Club (HSC) celebrates its 70th anniversary with the callsign **DK0HSC** (special DOK HSC70) <u>during 2021</u>. A good opportunity to work this and the club's other stations, DL0HSC and DF0HSC, will be during the upcoming HSC Contest. QSL via bureau. http://www.highspeedclub.org/ (TNX DXNL)
- **DL, GERMANY** Uwe, DO2PZ will be active as **DB100AVUS** throughout 2021 to celebrate The 100th anniversary of the AVUS (Automobil-Verkehrs- und Uebungsstrasse, "Automobile traffic and training road"). Located in the south-west of Berlin and opened in

- 1921, it is the oldest controlled-access motorway in Europe. Until 1998, it was also used as a motor racing circuit. QSL via DO2PZ, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)
- **DL, GERMANY** Special callsign **DR50AGCW** will be active throughout 2021 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Arbeitsgemeinschaft CW DL (Activity Group CW DL. QSL via bureau. (TNX 425DX)
- **DL, GERMANY** Members of the DARC Team Special Event Station operate as **DA21WARD** (special DOK 21WARD) <u>until June 30</u> to mark the World Amateur Radio Day. QSL via bureau and DK5ON (d). (TNX DXNL)
- **DL, GERMANY** Special callsign **DK30FFO** is active <u>until end 2021</u> to celebrate the 30th anniversary of DARC's Ortsverband Frankfurt. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau and eventually LoTW.
- **DL, GERMANY** The German DX Foundation (GDXF) celebrates its 25th anniversary with the callsign **DF0GDX** (special DOK GDXF) since Feb. 1. <u>During May, June and July</u> they will also put DL25GDXF (special DOK 25GDXF) on the air. An award 25 Years GDXF is available as well. QSL for the special calls go via the bureau. (TNX DXNL)
- **DL, GERMANY** Special callsign **DL65ESSEN** will be active <u>from 1 May until 31</u> <u>December</u> to celebrate the 65th anniversary of DARC's Ortsverband Essen. QSL via the bureau and LoTW. (TNX 425DX)
- **EA, SPAIN** Members of the URE club Cullera and of Les Basores DX group celebrate the 76th anniversary of the ITU <u>between the 8th and 23rd May</u> as **AN5ITU** on HF, VHF, UHF, and via QO-100 on SSB, CW, RTTY and other digital modes. QSL via EB5R (d), LoTW, eQSL. (TNX DXNL)
- **F, FRANCE** Franck/F4DTO and Patrick/F4GFE commemorate Jean de La Fontaine's 400th birthday with the callsign **TM400JF** between May 3 and July 30. QSL via F4DTO direct or bureau. (TNX DXNL)
- **F, FRANCE TM100SHT** is the special callsign for the Societe Havraise de Telegraphie Sans Fil (F6KOH, https://shtsf.fr) to celebrate its 100th anniversary. Activity during various weekends until 5 September. (TNX 425DX)
- **F, FRANCE** Special callsign **TM150PAR** is active <u>until May 16</u> to mark the 150th anniversary of the Paris Commune, the revolutionary government that ruled Paris (18 March-28 May 1871) and had significant influence on the ideas of Karl Marx. QSL via F4HZS. (TNX 425DX)
- **F, FRANCE** The second mission of ESA astronaut Thomas Pesquet (KG5FYG and FX0ISS) on the International Space Station began on 23 April, and members of Radio Club F4KLR will operate special event callsign **TM0ISS** on all bands and modes. The activity will run at various times <u>until October</u> to match the duration of the mission. (TNX 425DX)
- **F, FRANCE** Commemorating the bicentennial of Napoleon Bonaparte's death (5 May 1821), F8GGZ and F6HFI will be active as **TM200NB** on 1-15 May. Also, the Radio Club de l'Aube (F5KOB) will be active as **TM2CNB** on 5-16 May and again on 9-11 July. (TNX 425DX)
- **G, ENGLAND GB50AGC** (operator Mac/G3WZD) is yet another callsign celebrating the 50th anniversary of the German CW club AGCW <u>during May</u>. QSL via M0LXT. (TNX DXNL) **G, ENGLAND** The Hull & District Amateur Radio Society (HADARS, G3AMW, G8GBY & M0KUH) celebrates its 100th anniversary with the callsign **GB100H** <u>during 2021</u> on 160m-70cm. Operators are Bernard/G0SWO, Bryn/M0GPN, Chris/G1WSA, John/M0JBA, Steve/M0OYR, Tony/G0WJK, and Trevor/G7IWE. QSL via GB10OH (d/B) and eQSL. (TNX DXNL)
- **G, ENGLAND** The British Railways Amateur Society (BRARS) celebrates its 55th anniversary as **GBOLMR** throughout the year. The group plans to get on the air also during events like Railways on the Air. QRV mainly during daytime hours on 40-10m (SSB, PSK31/63). QSL via bureau or 2E1HQY (d). (TNX DXNL)
- **G, ENGLAND** Special callsign **GB75ISWL** will be active "on most bands and modes" throughout 2021 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the International Short Wave League. QSL via bureau. https://www.iswl.org.uk/ (TNX 425DX)
- **HB9, SWITZERLAND HB90BERO** draws attention to the beginning of transmissions from the Swiss broadcasting transmitter Beromuenster 90 years ago. The station was

- closed down in 2008. QRV from May 1 until July 31 on HF (CW, SSB, FM/AM, digital modes) and via QO-100. QSL via Club Log and LoTW. (TNX DXNL)
- **HL, SOUTH KOREA HL41GDM** and **D73M** commemorate the Gwangju Demonstrations 41 years ago <u>during May</u>. QSL via HL4CCM (d/B), ClubLog, eQSL. (TNX DXNL)
- **HL, SOUTH KOREA** Special event station **D90EXPO** is active <u>until October 17</u> to promote the 2021 World Military Culture Expo that will take place in the city of Gyeryong <u>on 1-17 October</u>. QSL via LoTW or via DS3BBC; the logs will be uploaded to Club Log. (TNX 425DX)
- **HP, PANAMA** Celebrating the bicentennial of the independence of Panama from Spain, special event callsign **HP200I** will be active <u>from 1 June to 30 November</u>. Look for activity on 80, 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 metres SSB and digital modes. QSL via HP1DAV. (TNX 425DX)
- **I, ITALY** Celebrating the 1600th anniversary of the founding of Venice, traditionally set on 25 March 421, and the 75th anniversary of ARI Venezia (http://www.arivenezia.it/), **II3VE** and **IQ3VE** are active on various bands and modes <u>until end November</u>. QSLs via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)
- **I, ITALY** The ARI section Quartu Sant'Elena (IQ0AM) celebrates its 40th anniversary with the callsign **II0QSE** <u>until June 30</u> on HF (SSB, CW, digital modes). An award is also available. QSL via IS0AGY (D/B). (TNX DXNL)
- **I, ITALY II1DCC** ("Drake & Collins Collectors") is the special callsign for a "vintage activity" to be conducted <u>until 31 December 2021</u>. Marco, IK1RAE and other operators will use exclusively Drake and Collins pieces of equipment, and will be QRV on the HF bands (30, 17 and 12 metres excluded) SSB, CW and maybe AM. QSL via the bureau to IK1RAE. (TNX 425DX)
- **I, ITALY** Members of ARI Belluno will be active as **IB3CAI** from 1 May to 30 September. QSL via IU3EDK. The special callsign memorializes the 130th anniversary of the local section of the glorious Club Alpino Italiano (the Italian Alpine Club, founded in 1863), as well as the 70th anniversary of the alpine hut "VII Alpini at Pis Pilon", operated by CAI Belluno since 1951. (TNX 425DX)
- I, ITALY Members of AMSAT Italia commemorate Gagarin's flight into space <u>until the end of the year</u> with the callsign **IIOSAT** on HF and via satellite. (TNX DXNL)

 I, ITALY The ARI Fidenza Club (IQ4FE) issues an award "Elettra: The Miracle Ship" <u>in 2021</u>, drawing attention to Marconi's yacht Elettra and its significance in his radio experiments. During May, **II4REG** points to the vessel's registration in 1921. QSL via

IQ4FE. (TNX DXNL)

- **I, ITALY** Members of the ARI section Belluno celebrate the 130th anniversary of the Club Alpino Italiano and the 70th anniversary of the mountain hut Alpini in Pis Pilon <u>between May 1 and Sept. 30</u> with the callsign **IB3CAI**. QRV on 80-10m, 6m, and 2m on SSB, RTTY, CW and FT8/FT4. QSL via IU3EDK (d/B). (TNX DXNL)
- **ISO, SARDINIA** Special callsign **IIOQSE** will be active from Quartu Sant'Elena, Sardinia (EU-024) <u>until June 30</u> to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the local branch of ARI. QSL via ISOAGY, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)
- **JA, JAPAN 8N1MORSE**, operated by members of the A1 Club and the Denpaken Club, celebrates Samuel Morse's 230th birthday and the 120th anniversary of Marconi's first transatlantic transmission <u>until the end of February 2022</u>. For more information see the website. QSL via bureau and Club Log OQRS. (TNX DXNL)
- **JA, JAPAN 8N1FT** celebrates the 50th anniversary of Futtsu-City <u>until the end of March 2022</u>. All QSOs will be confirmed with a card automatically, logs will be uploaded to LoTW. (TNX DXNL)
- JA, JAPAN 8J100CB celebrates the 100th anniversary of Chiba-City <u>until the end of March 2022</u>. All QSOs will be confirmed with a card automatically. (TNX DXNL) JA, JAPAN Look for 8J1TSN to celebrate the 500th anniversary of Takeda Shingen <u>until end 2021</u>. Operation on HF, VHF and UHF using CW, FM, SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via bureau, no cards needed.
- **JA, JAPAN** Members of JARL Joetsu Club is active as **8N0J** until end April 2022. This to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the city of Joetsu, Niigata. All QSO's will be confirmed automatically. QSL direct if needed via JJOAWX. (TNX 425DX)

- **JA, JAPAN** Look for special calls **/60** to mark the Okinawa Amateur Radio 60th Anniversary Festival Activities <u>during 2021</u>. All stations QRV in Okinawa Prefecture may use the suffix. https://www.jarl.com/okinawa/
- JA, JAPAN The following special event stations operate around the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games <u>until Sept. 5</u>: **8N1OLP, 8N2OLP, 8N3OLP, 8N4OLP, 8N5OLP, 8N6OLP, 8N7OLP, 8N8OLP, 8N9OLP** and **8N0OLP**. An award is also available. QSL via bureau and ClubLog. (TNX DXNL)
- JT, MONGOLIA JU100DX, operated by members of the JTDXA Team, celebrates Mongolia's 100th anniversary of independence <u>until July 10</u>. QSL via JT1CH. (TNX DXNL) LU, ARGENTINA Special event station L21RCA will be active <u>throughout 2021</u> to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Radio Club Argentino , the national IARU member society, which was founded on 21 October 1921. QSL via LoTW or via LU4AA (direct and bureau). (TNX 425DX)
- **LX, LUXEMBOURG** Celebrating his 40th anniversary in amateur radio, Andy, LX1DA will be active as **LX40DA** from 1 September to 31 December. QSL via LX1DA; the log will be uploaded to Club Log and (after the end of the year) to LoTW. (TNX 425DX)
- **LY, LITHUANIA LY57BC** will be active <u>throughout May</u> to promote and participate in the 57th edition of the Baltic Contest. QSL via eQSL and LoTW. Organized by the Lithuanian Radio Sports Federation, the contest will be held on 80 metres SSB and CW starting at 21 UTC on 22 May and ending at 2 UTC on 23 May. (TNX 425DX)
- **LZ, BULGARIA** Special callsign **LZ70HSC** will be in use <u>throughout 2021</u> to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Radio Telegraphy High Speed Club. QSL via LoTW. (TNX 425DX)
- LZ, BULGARIA Once again Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use twelve special callsigns throughout 2021 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: LZ1072BG (May), LZ308WK (June), LZ950TM (July), LZ363ER (August), LZ305AI (September), LZ1337KM (October), LZ1470IN (November) and LZ14MP (December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria.
- **OA, PERU** Celebrating the 200th anniversary of Peruvian independence, the Radio Club Peruano will activate four special callsigns until the end of the year: **OC200P** (<u>May and September</u>), **OC200E** (<u>June and October</u>), **OC200R** (<u>July and November</u>) and **OC200U** (<u>August and December</u>). QSLs via OA4O. (TNX 425DX)
- **OE, AUSTRIA OE100BL** is the special callsign issued to the Burgenlaendischer Amateur Radio Club for celebrating <u>throughout 2021</u> the 100th anniversary since Burgenland became an Austrian state. QSL via OE4JHW. Individual operators may also apply for OE100 to replace their prefix (e.g. OE4EIE will be signing OE100EIE). An award will be available, (TNX 425DX)
- OH, FINLAND OF60RR draws attention to the 60th anniversary of the steel mill Rautaruukki. QRV <u>until March 2022</u>. QSL via bureau or via OH8DR direct. (TNX DXNL) OH, FINLAND Look for OH100SRAL <u>during 2021</u>, this to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Finnish Amateur Radio Leaugue (SRAL). QSL via LoTW or bureau (early 2022).
- **OK, CZECH REPUBLIC** The radio club Chrudim celebrates its 75th anniversary with the callsign **OL75KCR** until the end of the year. QSL via Club Log OQRS. (TNX DXNL) **OM, SLOVAK REPUBLIC** Radioklub Partizanske will be active as **OM77PA** in various contests throughout 2021. The special callsign pays a tribute to Peter Martiska (OM3PA), the club's chairman and leading operator for fifty years, who passed away on 3 January aged 77. QSL via OM4MM. (TNX 425DX)
- **ON, BELGIUM** Look for **OR40NOL** <u>until</u> end 2021 to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the section NOL. 3 Awards will be available: gold, silver and bronze. More on QRZ.com. **ON, BELGIUM** Belgian individual operators and radio clubs are authorized to replace their ON prefix with **OS** <u>until 12 December</u>. This is to celebrate World Amateur Radio Day (18 April) and the 120th anniversary since Guglielmo Marconi's first reception of transatlantic radio signals (12 December 1901). (TNX 425DX)
- **ON, BELGIUM** The Club Radio Durnal (ON4CRD) celebrates its 30th anniversary with the callsign **OT30CRD** <u>until May 18</u>. QRV on HF on CW, SSB, and digital modes. QSL via ON4RCD (d/B); sending a card is not necessary. (TNX DXNL)

- **PA, THE NETHERLANDS** Three members of the Netherlands Telegraphy Club (namely PA3HEN, PA7RA and PG4I) will be active as **PA50AGCW** on 1-31 May to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Activity Group CW. QSL via PA3HEN, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)
- **PA, THE NETHERLANDS PA21AGR** operates in the context of the Amstel Gold Race for professional bicyclists during <u>September</u>, there will be a similar event for amateur racers, also supported by PA21AGR. QSL via PE1RLN. (TNX DXNL)
- **PA, THE NETHERLANDS** The Radio Telegraphy Very High Speed Club (VHSC) celebrates its 60th anniversary <u>during May</u> with the callsign **PH60VHSC**. QSL via LoTW. **PY, BRAZIL PX521BR** is the special callsign that Peter, PY5CC will use <u>from 22 April to 21 May</u> to commemorate the anniversary of the Portuguese discovery of Brazil (22 April 1500). QSL via LoTW. (TNX 425DX)
- **SM, SWEDEN** During 2021, **SD400SU** celebrates the 400th anniversary of the city Sundsvall. Operators are the members of the Sundsvall Amateur Radio Club (SK3BG). QSL via SM3NXS (d/B), Club Log OQRS. (TNX DXNL)
- **SM, SWEDEN SK75AT** is the special call for the Foreningen Umea Radioamatorer Club (SK2AT) to celebrate its 75th anniversary <u>until end 2021</u>. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log. (TNX 425DX)
- **SM, SWEDEN** Members of the Hisingens Radioklubb (SK6AW) will operate as **SE400G** from 1 May to 31 July to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the city of Gothenburg, which was granted its founding royal charter on 4 June 1621. QSL via LoTW, paper cards will not be available. (TNX 425DX)
- **SP, POLAND** Special callsigns **3Z1921PS**, **HF1921PS**, **SN1921PS**, **SO1921PS**, **SP1921PS** and **SQ1921PS** will be activated on 1-31 May to commemorate the centenary of the third Silesian Uprising (2 May-21 July 1921). The Silesian Uprisings ("Powstania Slaskie") were a series of three armed conflicts in Upper Silesia from 1919 to 1921 in which Poles and Polish Silesians sought to break away from Germany and join the new Polish Republic, founded after World War I. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX)
- **SP, POLAND** Members of the Piastowski Amateur Radio Club (SP6PAZ) will be active as **SO100PS** on 1-31 May to commemorate the centenary of the third Silesian Uprising (2 May-21 July 1921). The Silesian Uprisings ("Powstania Slaskie") were a series of three armed conflicts in Upper Silesia from 1919 to 1921 in which Poles and Polish Silesians sought to break away from Germany and join the new Polish Republic, founded after World War I. QSL via SP6PAZ and LoTW. (TNX 425DX)
- **SP, POLAND SNOZOSP** and **SN100ZOSP** celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Association of the Voluntary Fire Brigades of the Republic of Poland <u>until February 5, 2022</u>. QSL for SN0ZOSP via SP9ODM, SN100ZOSP via SP9SPJ. (TNX DXNL) **SP, POLAND HF100LEM**, operating from Krakow, marks the 100th birthday of the Polish writer Stanislaw Lem <u>during 2021</u>. QSL via SP9PKZ. (TNX DXNL)
- **SV, GREECE** Amateur radio operators from Greece have been granted permission to use special prefixes <u>until end 2021</u> to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Greek Revolution of 1821 which led to the formation of modern Greece. The special prefixes do not differentiate the call areas: Class 1 licensees can replace SV# with **SX200** (e.g. SX200AEL is SV2AEL, while SX200RMA is SV8RMA and SX200COL is SV9COL), Class 2 licensees can replace SY# with **SY200**, club stations can replace SZ# with **SZ200**. (TNX 425DX)
- **SV, GREECE** 200 Years of Greek Independence Award On air <u>during 2021</u>. The Greek War of Independence, also known as the Greek Revolution (Greek: Ελληνική Επανάσταση, Elliniki Epanastasi; referred to by Greeks in the 19th century as simply the Αγώνας, Agonas, "Struggle", was a successful war of independence waged by Greek revolutionaries against the Ottoman Empire between 1821 and 1830. Any Greek station, foreigners Greeks or friends of Greece all over the world may join "200 Years of Greek Independence Award". All mode and types of QSO are valid. Award manager is SV2RCK. https://sv2rck.gr/200YEARS/
- **SV, GREECE SZ200P** is a special callsign for the Radio Amateur Association of Western Peloponnese to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Greek Revolution of 1821. Activity

started on 9 April and will go through the end of the year. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

TA, TURKEY TC568FA commemorates the concquest of Istanbul in 1453. QRV <u>until</u> <u>June 28 on 160-2m on SSB, CW, and digital modes. An award is available as well. (TNX DXNL)</u>

TI, COSTA RICA On September 15, 2021, the Bicentennial of the Independence of Costa Rica will be celebrated with great fanfare. In commemoration of such an important and historical event, a team of radio amateurs will be activating the special call sign **TI2ØØI** to celebrate 200 years of independent life of Costa Rica.

The goal is to make Costa Rican independence known to the world with pride on its Bicentennial. Activation until October 29.

Bands - 6 to 80m (+ 2m).

Modes - SSB, CW and FT8 (+ FM).

Contacts will be confirmed via LotW, QRZ & QSL manager.

The team of operators will be announced soon.

UA2F, KALININGRAD Special callsigns **RK75AK** (UA2FAK), **RK75FF** (UF2F) and **RK75FU** (RA2FU) will be in <u>use between 14 April and 31 July</u> to mark the 75th anniversary of Kaliningrad. In 1946 northern East Prussia was annexed as part of the Russian SFSR by the Soviet Union and named the Kaliningrad Oblast. (TNX 425DX) **UA, RUSSIA** Special event station **R75T** will be active <u>on 1-31 May</u> to celebrate the 75th anniversary of Radio Club Stavropol. QSL via RO7T. (TNX 425DX)

UR, UKRAINE Nikolay UX0FF celebrates his 50th year on the air with the callsign **EO50FF** <u>during 2021</u>. QSL via UX0FF direct or bureau, LoTW, eQSL.

UR, UKRAINE Special callsign **EM25VER** has been active <u>since 1 February</u> to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Antarctic station "Akademik Vernadsky" (formerly a British research base that existed for nearly fifty years, it was handed over to Ukraine on 6 February 1996). QSL via UT1KY. (TNX 425DX)

UR, UKRAINE Special calls **EM150PLU**, **EN150PLU** and **EO150PLU** are active <u>during 2021</u> to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the birth of Lesya Ukrainka (1871-1913), one of Ukrainian literature's foremost writers. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX)

VE, CANADA Commemorating the first flight on Mars by NASA's Ingenuity Helicopter. On April 19, 2021 the first flight of a powered aircraft on another planet (Mars) completed by a helicopter called Ingenuity, controlled by NASA's engineers. The aircraft's callsign is 1-IGY. Lali, VE3NE will operate with special callsign **VX31IGY** from May 27, 2021 to June 27, 2021 including participation in the CQWPX CW contest. A special QSL card will be available via VE3NE. Log will be also available during and after the operation. **VE, CANADA** Pierre/VA2CZ operates as **VX2Z** until May 26 to draw attention to the first smallpox vaccine 225 years ago. QSL only via LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

VK, AUSTRALIA The Pride Radio Group is active as **VI2021PRIDE** during <u>1-30 June</u>. A unique QSL card will be issued for each event. QSL via VK3FUR direct. (TNX 425DX) **VK, AUSTRALIA** From our modest beginnings in 1921, Air Force has grown into a potent, World class Air Force which Australia relies upon in both conflict and peace. The men and women of the Royal Australian Air Force have achieved great success in serving Australia and its national interest over the past 100 years.

The RAAF was formed on 31st March 1921, to mark this Centenary the Wireless Institute of Australia (WIA) will be celebrating with two call signs:

VK100AF <u>1st March to 31st August 2021</u>, which will be used by a team of Radio Amateurs across the bands around Australia.

VI100AF 1st March 2021 to 29th May 2021 will be used by Radio Amateurs that are either current or veteran military personnel and some activities may be from military bases.

Stuart Birkin. VK8NSB will be organising the event that will be aired by many Radio Amateurs across Australia as we celebrate this centenary with you. A team of 40+ operators across Australia will operating over the next few months.

QSL Information: A commemorative 4-sided QSL will be printed for direct QSL requests. OQRS Link for Direct & Bureau QSL VI100AF:

 $\underline{https://www.m0urx.com/oqrs/logsearch.php?dxcallsign=VI100AF}$

OQRS Link for Direct & Bureau QSL VK100AF:

https://www.m0urx.com/oqrs/logsearch.php?dxcallsign=VK100AF

Direct: QSL \$2 Via M0URX

Bureau: Please only use OQRS. No Bureau route for incoming Bureau

1856). QSL via the bureau, LoTW, or direct to YU1MM. (TNX 425DX)

LoTW: will be uploaded.

VR, HONG KONG As one of the most popular icons in modern history, the legendary martial arts master Bruce Lee still inspires people worldwide more then 47 years after his passing. His great achievements transcend territories, time and disciplines. His charisma radiated from the silver screen, his prowess amazed the martial arts community, his profound legacy lives on forever in the hearts of people. To salute the all-time superstar, Hong Kong 1555th Kowloon Group (VR2CS) presents a Special Event call VR2BLEE operated by Igor VR2ZQZ. Operation until end January 2022.

XE, MEXICO The Asociacion de Radio Aficionados de la Republica Mexicana A.c (ARARM) celebrates its 61st anniversary with the callsigns 6D1A, 6D2A and 6D3A until May 16. The club also offers an award. QSL via XE2T (d) and LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

YU, SERBIA On the occasion of the 70th anniversary of continuous activity of the callsign YU1ANO, the Serbian Administration has authorized the Belgrade Amateur Radio Club to use the special callsign YU51ANO until June 15. QSL via YU1EA. (TNX 425DX)

YU, SERBIA Members of the Serbian CW Club are active as YT165TESLA until the end of the year to commemorate the 165th anniversary of the birth of Nikola Tesla (10 July